

HOW TO WORK FOR SOCIALISM

EDITOR'S NOTE.—The slogan of the Socialist Party, "ORGANIZE FOR 1916" is being heard in the land. The forces of progress are rallying everywhere in the campaign to prepare for the 1916 presidential struggle. The Appeal to the masses, the great Socialist weekly, at the request of the National Office of the Socialist Party, is publishing a series of articles on organization. The third of these is by Carl D. Thompson, director of the Information Department, which The Appeal states "will convince any Socialist sympathizer that his place is in the Socialist Party organization. The American Socialist hereby reproduces this article. After reading it, and if you are not now a member of the Socialist Party, drop a postal card to the National Office, Socialist Party, 303 West Madison St., Chicago, Ill., and you will receive immediately the necessary information to get you in touch with the nearest local committee.

By CARL D. THOMPSON

The first essential for successful work for Socialism is enthusiasm. Enthusiasm is contagious. It catches and carries. And no Socialist worker can make Socialists of others who does not possess some enthusiasm.

No matter how hard one's field may be, no matter how conservative or reactionary the people there; no matter how strong the opposition, no one can get ahead with Socialism by laying down. Up and at them, all the time, must be the motto. Never to know discouragement — because you know that the progress of Socialism can never be permanently arrested; never to know defeat because you know that Socialism cannot be defeated; to have faith, to laugh at opposition and keep everlastingly at it with radiant, confident hopefulness — that is the spirit that wins.

NEXT TO A sustained enthusiasm must come work—hard, persistent work. We are not going to get Socialism without an effort. Socialism is not inevitable, as some seem to think; it is not going to come whether we do anything or not. Some Socialists are like some religious people I have known. They expect to be "carried to the skies" by the co-operative commonwealth, "on flowery beds of ease while others fight to win the prize and sail through bloody seas." If we ever get Socialism we will have to do some mighty hard, strenuous work. And if you ever get Socialists in your town, if you ever get a good local organization, if you ever carry your precinct, town or city, somebody has got to put in some good hard licks. Socialism is not coming down out of the sky like manna. We have to work for it. Therefore be a worker. Be a steady persistent, always-at-it worker. Be systematic.

Don't wait for others. Use skill, wisdom and tact. Work with the organization.

USE SKILL.—Be wise and tactful. It is possible for one to be an enthusiastic and work very hard and yet fail to get good results. In all lines of effort skill is required. And it is needed more in working for Socialism than anywhere else. The people have their prejudices. They also have their own special interests, their personal ambitions, their religious and social ideals. These may seem to you as fads and fancies, but to those who have them they are just as real and just as vital as your Socialism is to you. And to them your Socialism is a fad and a fancy. The skillful worker will consider all these facts, will carefully avoid prejudices, will be sympathetic and considerate of other people's ideals in order thereby to win their sympathy for our ideal.

Be systematic. Haphazard, go-as-it-happens work may be better than no work at all, but systematic work counts most. The same amount of work and the same amount of money will do twice or three times as much good if done systematically. The national office of the party, the Appeal to Reason and other agencies have plans for systematic work and will gladly supply you upon application.

WORK WITH THE ORGANIZATION. This is the age of organized effort. Get into the organization. Few of us Socialists have money enough or time enough or ability enough to accomplish much by ourselves. If we all pull together and pool our funds, each one gets the strength of all. And besides, every member of the organized movement gets all the help the party can give in other ways.

So every worker should be a member of the party, should attend its party meetings, subscribe to and read the party papers, and in every way keep in touch with the organized movement.

The Battle Syndicalists publishes an expressive letter from a Serbian Socialist, Dr. Drazo Lapschewsch. The workers' movement in this country has, of course, been very seriously affected, much more so than during the war of 1912-13. Yet the daily organ of the Trade Unionists, the Journal des Travailleurs, which appears at Nich, has not only held its own, despite persecutions and difficulties of many kinds, but has increased its circulation and influence, thanks to the spirit and support of the working classes. Lapschewsch has high hopes for the progress of Socialism in Serbia in the future.

THE COMING KINGDOM

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS.
National Referendum.
Proposed by Local Warren, Ohio.
"That the 1916 National Convention be dispensed with."
Comment:
The chief work of the convention would be the adoption of a platform; this could be done by referendum and about \$25,000 saved to the party. If we are able to ratify or change by referendum, why not adopt by referendum?

17 members in good standing.
Published for second August 14, 1915.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE BUSINESS.
Chicago, August 9, 1915.

To the National Committee:
Dear Comrades:—The following motion by Lesueur of North Dakota, seconded by Revellie of South Carolina, Raymond of Mississippi, Sinclair of Oklahoma, Canright of Nebraska, Williams of California, Smith of Maine, McCullis of Iowa, Nock of Michigan, and Bell of Texas, is submitted to you herewith for vote of your committee.

National Committee Motion No. 16.
I appeal from the action of the National Committee on the resolution submitted by Comrade Meyer London, referring to the peace proposals of the German Government, that the matter in whole be laid before the National Committee in conformity with the regular rules of procedure.

COMMENT BY MCGILLIS: The committee of the American movement on a peace proposal is a matter of the first place has been subjected to a much wider discussion than has been thus far in the world. The committee of the American party to hold its judgment in abeyance until there appears a semblance of the intelligent nations.

Votes August 8, 1915.
The question to be voted on will be put as follows:
SHALL THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BE SUSPENDED?

Kindly use the enclosed voting card.
Fraternally submitted,
Walter Lanfersiek, Executive Secretary.

PARAGRAPHS

By EUGENE V. DEBS

(FROM THE RIP-SAW)

Pat Quinlan and John Lawson are in penitentiary for fighting the battles of the working class. If they were not in the penitentiary, they would be faithfully as they have served the wage-slaves they would be in congress, and the wage-slaves themselves would be the most enthusiastic in doing them honor.

"Socialism," as Bebel so aptly expressed it, "is science applied to all realms of human activity."

In the presence of the carnage seething about us to remain unmoved is treason and to be indifferent as to the outcome is to share in the responsibility for the crime.

The world is moving toward industrial and social democracy and will reach its goal on schedule time.

Scott Nearing knows what it is to be a teacher of the truth in a university where ignorance is bliss and where it is folly to teach anything that conflicts with the interests of the moneybags that endow it.

The war of trade leads to the war of blood. All war is murder and all humanity ought to rise against that crime of crimes.

The railroad employees who were bunched in the recent "arbitration" held at Chicago under the direction of the federal government are wondering why their high officials did not discover the fact that Charles Nagel the "neutral" member of the board was a corporation agent and tool of the railroads from his crowning to his footstools until after the "arbitration" was over and the platter of lemons was handed to the victims who footed the enormous bill.

The National Civic Federation has made the discovery that socialists are all wrong in claiming that labor is exploited. So large a share of the profits of production, according to the N. C. F., labor gets two-thirds and capital but one third of the product. Even at that, can the N. C. F. give even the shadow of an excuse why honest labor should turn over one-third of what is produced in the sweat of its brow to a set of leeches and parasites?

President Wilson has been made a member of the Journeymen Stone Masons. Roosevelt is a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Taft of the Steam Shovelers' Union. The labor union that confers membership on a capitalist politician degrades itself by such prophanity and lickspittleship and the only compensation it gets in return is a political job conferred upon the labor politician within its ranks who was smooth enough to put up the job.

The garment workers of New York and degree ought to settle the minds of anyone concerned with getting together in one powerful industrial organization where they might all fight together for a good of all.

Speed the day of industrial solidarity of the working class!

L'Humaine desired to publish an appeal from the Union of Jewish Workers to International Socialism on the situation of the Jews in Russia. The Censor passed the heading. The rest was blank. French readers were left in the dark as to the nature of the situation and the terms of the appeal. But the French have perception and imagination in the true sense.

Letters from "American Socialist" Readers

RULES FOR THIS DEPARTMENT.

The national committee of the Socialist Party in providing for an Open Forum in The American Socialist ruled that:
"Recommendation No. 6.—An open forum for communications from party members or organizations on disputed points of party policy, views and tactics. No personal attacks or abuse or intemperate language shall be allowed. No communication in the Open Forum shall exceed 500 words."
Contributors to this department will facilitate matters considerably by carefully observing this rule.

DINKY PENSIONS.—Up to the present time the old age pension bills which we Socialist have introduced in congress and in the state legislatures have not provided for pensions big enough to enable an old man or woman to live in comfort.

Some of them have proposed to give to people of 70 years or over the maximum sum of \$150 a week, and the minimum sum of 50 cents a week, and no pension at all to anyone having an income exceeding \$150 a year.

Such bills throw us open to derisive rebuke.

The amounts offered are literally not enough to keep a person from starving to death.

This is not intended as a criticism of our elected officials. All of us are to blame. I never cease to admire the way in which our elected officials have commanded respect, and accomplished results, in the face of an overwhelming opposition.

This article is intended to call attention to the facts concerning these pension bills, so that we can remedy the defects in the future.

I have no objection to the provision making the pensions take effect at the age of seventy.

Every person who lives that long is fit for service until that age, unless a victim of ill health or accident, sickness and invalid insurance for all such. The theory that we Socialists are going to pension all people over forty-five years of age is, of course, silly. People are usually more efficient after forty-five than before. The most useful years of life come after forty-five.

But I do object to dinky pensions. We should ask for what we want. And what do we want?

Why, we want pensions big enough so that the aged can live in comfort. Not in luxury. Luxury is bad for anybody, young or old. But all should live in simple comfort.

The maximum should be not less than fifteen dollars a week. That is just six times as much as the starvation maximum in the above mentioned bills.

Until we are in the majority, we will probably have to compromise in order to get any bill adopted.

That is all the greater reason why we should ask for what we want. Then, if we have to compromise, we will still have something worth while left after doing so. It is folly to compromise in advance.

JOHN M. WORK, Chicago.

HOLDING THE MEMBERS.

It is admitted among Socialist party members generally that something is wrong in the methods used to increase the party membership. Many join but the membership does not increase.

The suggestion that the first monthly dues payment of a new member should include a subscription to The American Socialist, is a good so far as it goes. It will keep the new member interested, but it does not cover the main difficulty, the financial one.

The times are hard. Dues payments are delayed. The member becomes delinquent, and as the dues are not paid, the member is dropped. Local and ceases to work in co-operation with his party.

We stand face to face with this condition, and must meet it squarely. No half-way measures will suffice.

A complete change in the dues-paying system is imperative. Such a change the writer herewith submits, radical, drastic, and yet so planned as to make the dues paying burden lighter, and less frequent, and to hold each new member for at least one year.

First make the dues payable annual, at the rate of \$1 for the first year, and \$2 for the second year, one third to go to the National Office, one third to the State Organization, and one third to the new member himself, in the form of a years subscription to The American Socialist. The raising of Local funds to be left to local arrangements.

Second. Discontinue the using of dues stamps, and issue a folder card, with perforated leaves, for detachable, say in blocks of four, one to serve as a card index for the local, one for the State organization, and the fourth a membership certificate, to the member himself.

Third. The date of the member's payment should be on all of these cards, also the date showing when his membership expires.

Fourth. New cards to be issued for each new year, and no cards with dates of previous years to be used thereafter. At the close of each year each State office should return all unused cards received during the year, receiving from the National Office New Year Cards in return.

The foregoing plan, if carried out, will double the membership in six months. It will leave no doubt in the minds of anyone concerned with who are members, and who are not. It will hold all members in good standing throughout the year. It will lessen the burden of Dues both as to quantity and frequency of payment. It will enable him to read his party paper regularly, and help the circulation of it wonderfully. It will act as a stimulant to the whole organization.

And finally, while it will double the amount of income per capita, it will increase the whole amount received, because of increased membership. — F. W. COTTON, Sec'y., Local Green Cove Springs, Fla.

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WHAT CAN WE DO?—Put our tactics on a scientific basis. Some of our philosophers have not been using the inductive method. For thousands of years philosophers followed the deductive method — theorized first, and then searched for facts to fit the theories. They made no progress.

With the inductive method, they first collected FACTS, and then drew their theories from the facts. Under this method, the philosophers became scientists.

Now applying the inductive method to socialist tactics, what do we learn? We learn that EVERYWHERE IN THE WORLD, WHERE THE MOVEMENT HAS BECOME POWERFUL, ITS BACKBONE IS ORGANIZED LABOR; AND NO WHERE IS OUR MOVEMENT A REAL FORCE, WHERE IT IS SEPARATED FROM LABOR.

To illustrate: the Social-Democratic Federation and the Fabians of England theorized for a quarter of a century with little results. But when some socialists got away from the dogmas and UNITED WITH LABOR, they built a party that soon had 30 socialists in Parliament, and which party today is the pride of Internationalism.

We constantly HEAR, but do not HEED, Marx's famous phrase. Marx never intended that any dogma, or theory should divide labor. He intended that we should use all the tools of the laborer.

Phonier his words: "ONE MOVEMENT IS WORTH A DOZEN PROGRAMS." He warned his followers not to form a sect apart from labor.

WE CANNOT HAVE A GREAT MOVEMENT WITHOUT LABOR. UNTIL WE GET TOGETHER WITH ORGANIZED LABOR. To that end, we should emphasize our points of agreement, and not our differences.

Our agreements are many, and they are the vital things NOW. They ought to unite us. Let the laborer on the political field, servant of labor on the political field, WE SHOULD LEARN FROM THE HISTORY OF THE MOVEMENT IN OTHER COUNTRIES. Our philosophers must become scientists.

GEORGE W. DOWNING, Member California legislature.

WAGE EARNERS AND EMPLOYERS.—I herewith submit an article taken from a pamphlet written by Cardinal O'Connell of the Roman Catholic Church, Boston, Mass. The title of this pamphlet is "Wage earners and Employers, rights and duties." The extract in question is as follows:

"We exhort all, both employers and workmen, to enter upon the holy crusade of Christian emulation, to make every effort for a lasting peace, to shut out from their ranks Socialistic disturbers, to be loyal adherents to the Church, faithfully following and carrying out in their daily lives the teachings of the illustrious Leo, that human past should be added and put out of the lives of the Church's children. Let the Prince of Peace may reign over a tranquil and contented people."

This pamphlet containing the above extract was circulated broadcast at the meeting, addressed by David Goldstein of anti-Socialist league, under the auspices of the Knights of Columbus at Derby, Conn. This meeting was attended by practically every manufacturer in the associated communities as well as business men, foremen and superintendents of factories, etc. Special effort was made upon the part of the Knights of Columbus to get out every lecture of the employing class that could be possibly induced to come.

This is, in my opinion, a deliberate attempt upon the part of the K. of C. and the Catholic Church to institute a boycott against Socialists everywhere. I understand that the lecture of July 24th, pretense every Goldstein meeting in this country and if so then a nation wide boycott is being carried on against Socialists. This may explain to some extent the reason why some of our members are finding it difficult to secure employment and also the reason for pressure being brought to bear upon members of the Socialist Party who are in business (in a small retail way) forcing them to refrain from being conspicuous in the movement.

I think you will agree with me that this should be given wide spread publicity so that the membership of the party should be made aware of tactics that are being used by the Catholic Church in its fight against Socialism. I have never countenanced the bringing of religion into political or economic discussion but if this is going to be the policy pursued by the Catholic Church I can see no other way that that we must meet the issue. — S. E. BEARDSLEY, State Secretary Socialist Party of Connecticut.

THE FARMER AND SOCIALISM.

Socialism has exactly the same thing to offer to every human being, freedom from exploitation and the franchise to protect that right. The invention of machinery drove the wage-worker to collective labor and at the same time, drove the farmer to individualistic effort. But both are exploited and both need Socialism.

The majority of wage-workers are unorganized and hence tend to keep wages at the subsistence level, on the other hand the majority of farmers are renters and interest-payers, and must dispose of their labor, in the form of products, at the prices offered by the master-class in order to pay their obligations. They incidentally fix prices for the "independent farmer."

Farmers are always interested in Socialism, and there is where I would like to see a system of Socialism that falls on the master-

class and tends to expropriate them. Tax land at its full selling price, taxing that price by the price of the best farm of that type of soil, in use near it, and omitting all taxes on improvements. City lots the same. This will tend to get rid of the speculator. Then tax all incomes not derived from one's own labor and collect this tax at the source. This catches the landlord and excuses the owner of land, not tending to independent ownership. Collecting at the source catches the incomes paid to absentee landlords, stockholders, bondholders and speculators. Then a gross earning tax on all corporations. This puts a personal property tax on all property not owned individually. There might be a few variations or additions, as exempting all cooperative enterprises and taxing old-time elevators on their turnover for the year.

Doubtless the state would foster cooperation more and more and in the course of years, evolution would bring about collective farming, but now the farmer wants to own his own little farm and so control his job and the Socialist is perfectly willing to let him do so, to add him in maintaining such a home or in keeping the one he already has.

For, as stated before, Socialism is going to get rid of all exploitation eventually and the fact that the farmer is one hundred years behind the factory-worker in working collectively, does not alter the fact that exploitation of the farmer keeps step fully with all other exploitation, and this must cease. — E. F. ATWOOD, Sisseton, S. D.

WHAT'S WRONG?
What is wrong with the comrades of the party? Let me give the comrades my opinion in short.

We are members of the Socialist party. We are a lot of inactive dead heads when it comes to building up the party. We go sleeping, stumbling along, until the capitalist jolts us on the head and then we want to turn the world wrong side up and have the people walk on their feet instead of walking on their heads and we want to do all this in five minutes. What nonsense, to think that what it took us five or ten years to learn, we want the comrades to learn in five minutes.

Comrades, get away from your head thoughts. Listen what's wrong with our state executive committees, state secretaries and chairmen of the many states that have such. Well, the old saying is the preacher does not rise above his flock, but that does not say that he should be a dead head, and so on.

One part of the book is given over to the discussion of the subject in each one of the different countries during the time preceding the war. The book is full of the war, and again discusses the matter in connection with each of the countries, both those at war and those that are neutral.

In the final chapter Walling discusses one of the note-worthy results of the war, namely, what he calls the revolutionary state socialist measures adopted by the governments at war.

THE FALLACY OF PROHIBITION. By Jason Martin, published by the Iconoclast Publishing Company, 1189 Transportation Bldg., Chicago, 25c, 100 pages.

This book is designed to be a sweeping indictment of prohibition. The author assures us that he has not invested one cent in the liquor business.

He insists on the distinction between the use and abuse of things, and between temperance, total abstinence and prohibition. He discusses the liquor question from the religious, historical, moral, physiological and psychological, sociological and economical point of view. It is his opinion that prohibition is false in principle and unduly interferes with man's free will—an immoral, unreasonable, unnatural and tyrannical measure. He endeavors to show, from federal statistics and court records, that, on the average and in proportion to population, there is more drunkenness, vice, crime, misdemeanor, divorce, poverty and insanity in "dry" territory than in "wet" territory.

FROM OKLAHOMA.—In re. of T. A. Hickey's letter in The American Socialist of July 24th, — is there no way to quell such fault finders? Two years ago he came to the Oklahoma Socialist State Convention and in his address to the convention he begged for both party and con. were so evident to the delegates that he failed to get an endorsement of the Texas plan, although when he came he supposed the convention was packed for it by his paper and speaker that had been present in the State from Texas. He, Hickey, President Dearborn Book Exchange, Dept. 870, Chicago, Ill.

One of the most important of the recently published books.

The most interesting and vital point in the whole discussion of the economic problem is that proportion of the wealth that is created by the workers is taken by the capitalists and what proportion goes to the workers.

With the present inadequate statistics it is almost impossible to determine. It would seem as though our government statisticians are determined that we must not find out. Probably the capitalists know all too well. We are anxious that the people shall know.

Professor Nearing is one of the few students of economics in the universities of America who seems to be determined to find out these fundamental facts and get them before the public.

His previous work on "Wages in the United States" was of great value. He has in this later volume on "Income" rendered still greater service. He starts out with a distinction between incomes that arise from mere ownership of property and incomes that arise from service rendered.

This is a fine distinction and is fundamental. It is clear that "property income" is unearned. And the author makes this clear enough in the course of his discussions.

Thus we have here, again, from another and entirely new source a confirmation of the socialist theory of unearned incomes or surplus value.

How clear and strong these facts are made one may judge from a few sentences taken from different chapters of the book:

"The recipients of property income are the beneficiaries of power. Behind them they have constitutional laws, customs, beliefs, philosophies, practices, and conventionalities that are ages old. They draw upon the resources of a system of social organization that has been evolving with the evolution of civilization. Their economic advantage is the direct outcome of the repressive coercive activities of vested interests all through the ages. They constitute one generation in the literal descent of exploiters—monarchs, landlords, slave-owners, capitalists, and all of those who have devised means of living at the expense of the toll of their fellows. These who receive incomes from property rights hold their titles and draw their income out of the struggles which the proletariat class have waged, and thus far successfully, to keep in their hands the power to tax the labor of mankind."

And again:

"The pages of history may be searched in vain for the records of a civilization which did not evolve some device whereby the strong of the state could live at the expense of the weak and the less able. The parasitic class has always bulwarked its position by the ownership of something."

Speaking of exploitation of the workers, he says:

"Men labor to earn income which will supply their physical wants. Imagine their state of mind when they discover that they are receiving the wealth that they create. Imagine the dissatisfaction and unrest when they further find that the title to a part of the wealth which they have created has passed to men and women who took no share in the wealth creation!"

And what better could a socialist ask than this:

"If there is such a thing as ethical economics, one of its cornerstones is the proposition that a man should get what he earns — all that he earns. The denial to any man of his earnings is an affront to one of those primitive concepts of justice which lead to the overthrow of the institutions which produce the injustice."

Speaking of the future issue the author exclaims:

"The student will search in vain through history for a situation more fraught with destructive possibilities."

Another drive for peace will no doubt be made by the German Socialists at the forthcoming session of the German Reichstag. Interest now centers in the meeting of the Socialists, Aug. 14, when a decision will be reached regarding the party's anti-war stand.

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AMONG BOOKS

THE SOCIALISTS AND THE WAR, by William English Walling.

Henry Holt & Co., New York, 1915. \$1.50, cloth, 500 pages.

This latest publication from the pen of William English Walling is perhaps the most valuable of his several books. Three-fourths of the volume consists of documentary statements of the socialists of the foreign countries concerning the war, with special reference to their peace policies. In connection with these statements, the author gives a running commentary, in which he sets forth the conditions under which the various statements were made.

The collection of these various documents of the Socialist party, beginning with the productions of Marx in 1870 and the statement of Frederick Engels in 1892 makes the work very valuable. It contains utterances from Bernstein, Bebel, Liebknecht, Kautsky, and other great leaders of the socialist movement, together with the discussions of the international socialist congress upon the subject.

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Last Week	53,069
Off	1,920
On	50,049
Loss	922
On	51,071
Loss	998

STRATEGIC RETREAT.

Special from the Front.
The "Off" Army is continuing its attack with great fury. The "On" Army is retreating steadily toward the 50,000 line of trenches where defenses have been prepared beforehand. The heavy artillery of the "On" Army is expected, arrive about August 15th and an immediate shelling of the "Off" position will then be begun.

The "Dubb" brigade of the "Off" Army are having plenty of glances these days, but as General James Higgins of the "Ons" remarked, "Who laughs last laughs best."
One of these days there will be a mine exploded under the "Off" Army which will make General Plute's warrior's look like Grand Duke Alexis after the battle of Warsaw.

GET OUR KNIFE PREMIUM!

J. A. PHILLIPS, Missouri, orders his third knife. We feel sure that this premium is appreciated by this comrade.
MAURICE FRUIT, Michigan, sends us 20 names and asks for our knife premium. He writes as follows:

"Some comrades claim that they have not enough acquaintances from whom to secure subscriptions. Well, nor did I have very many when I first started out, but here is how I got my subscriptions: I inquired of the first subscriber to recommend to me one or two of his friends. I secured their subscriptions and again inquired of their acquaintances and continued in the same way until I filled my subscription list and have now on hand a list of 50 names whose subscriptions I shall forward to you soon. Let the other comrades try the same way and they will soon find out how easy it is to get a subscription or two to The American Socialist."

F. B. BDDY, Oklahoma, and EWALD A. SELTMAN, Kansas, send in their orders at the same time for our knife premium.
L. B. WILSON, Pennsylvania, also asks for our knife premium.

ROLL OF HONOR

STEPHEN MURPHY, Pennsylvania, sends us General Dubb's army defeated the Tories toward the firing line. He enrolls four names on The American Socialist roster.

O. CRAWFORD, Texas, gets together seven of his best fighters on the firing line this week.

E. R. ARMSTRONG, Illinois, informs us that he is meeting with great success organizing a good force in his local. They only began to organize July 15th and already have 40 names. Twenty-one join the American Socialist.

CONRAD JAGER, Minnesota, enrolls 5 comrades into The American Socialist Army.

C. M. MOTT, Ohio, introduces 9 of his friends into the ranks of the firing line.

E. A. STOEVLICH, Minnesota, comes along with a bunch of 12.

Five comrades come from Washington, D. C. who will lend their aid to the Russian Brigade.

FRANK BUEGGER, Pennsylvania, enrolls with 11 of his friends who will eagerly await the enemy.

S. E. BEARDSLEY, Connecticut, always on the job, lands with a force of 10.

P. DAVIS, Indiana, orders \$3 for ammunition.

E. F. ATWOOD, South Dakota, has put 800 names on The American Socialist list.

P. TURPIN, Indiana, orders \$3 for ammunition.

C. L. LYNE, Kansas, sends in his signed 5 every week.

G. W. TANNER, Arkansas, sends in 4 names who will lend their aid to the Russian Brigade.

J. P. HUNTINGER, Ohio, enrolls 21 young people on the list this week. They will surely get after the "Dubb" Army.

S. G. LAMP, Missouri, writes: "I hope that before their subs expire, you will have a list of at least 50 in this town. He sends a list of 7."

ANNA B. WILLOUGHBY, California, sends a list of 4. They mean to make a stampede for the 60,000 Hill.

Last week the police at Rochester, N. Y., thought it about time they stirred up trouble, and so they arrested a Socialist for speaking on the streets. The local S. P. gave notice that the case would be fought in the courts. The Mayor and other politicians didn't fancy the notoriety that the town was likely to get as a place where free speech had been Russified, and the necessary wires were pulled so that when the case came to trial the offending agitator was discharged.

MUST OBEY MASTER'S ORDERS

By JAMES H. MAURER
Socialist Member Pennsylvania Legislature

CONSISTENT and class conscious, the masters at great expense, established colleges and universities, where the young are taught capitalist economics, and the tricks of the capitalist game; in other words, schools to train their experts and retainers. And woe be to the professor who dared be bold enough to teach the truth. I need but point to Scott Nearing, of the University of Pennsylvania, and James H. Brewster of Colorado, not to mention the army of other honest educators who from time to time walked the plank.

To hold their jobs, the college professors, no different from the common wage workers, must do not what their intellect dictates, but what their capitalist masters order.

AND THIS influence reaches down into our public schools. Our text books are arranged so as to be in strict harmony with the capitalist system. History is taught from the good and great man theory, that if it had been for Columbus, the American continent would never have been discovered. That the eloquence of Patrick Henry was responsible for the Revolution, and only for the superior generalship and God-fearing nature of George Washington, the Revolution of 1776, never could have been won by the American colonists.

Almost every economic factor of the Revolution, excepting the Stamp and Tea Tax is ignored, and the admitted Tea Tax is so twisted as to lead the reader to believe that the objection raised was on account of a tax on tea, while in fact the objection raised was that there was no tax on tea. And so our American history is doctored and fixed to suit the economic interests of our masters.

DURING business depressions, or panics, when millions of us suffer from enforced idleness, when poverty, misery and crime stalk hand in hand over the land, they bring forth their sooth sayers, their Billy Sundays, to lull the starving to sleep, otherwise they might revolt. Like cats they are herded and led to the pen of contentment. The sooth sayers first give frightful descriptions of an angry God casting the wicked into a fiery hell, and then follow this up with a way to escape. Be content with your lot, do not covet thy neighbor's property; remember God has ordained that there shall be master and worker. While your burdens may seem hard to bear, bear them meekly, and remember the employer also has burdens that are hard to bear.

Loyalty to your employer's interests is the price of earthly success, while contentment is the price of everlasting life and happiness. Do this and when you die your earthly troubles will fade away before the dazzling splendor of mansions in heaven, with gold-paved streets and flowing fountains filled with the blood of Jesus. And so there is one institution and scheme after the other, all to keep the workers where they are, and the masters comfortable on their backs.

WE HAVE just celebrated the birth of this republic. One hundred and thirty-nine years ago, there met in Philadelphia, representatives of thirteen American colonies, who after many weeks of discussion, decided that these colonies should be free and independent, and accordingly issued a manifesto in the form of a Declaration of Independence. In plain, every day language, they seceded from their government, which was then the British government.

The Declaration of Independence was evidently couched in as strong and revolutionary language as its framers were capable of using. In part it said: "We hold these truths to be self evident that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, among these rights are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. That to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, that whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or abolish it and to institute a new government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form as to them shall seem most likely to effect safety and happiness."

The British government branded the manifesto a treasonable document, ordered its sponsors shot, and the revolutionary spirit of the people crushed, and had they succeeded how different would our American history read. Those who are today worshipped as patriots and heroes, in whose honor we erect monuments, would have been branded as traitors and anarchists, and the British who were defeated would have been hailed as the heroes and patriots, and monuments erected in their honor.

JUST AS the Tories branded the revolutionists as traitors and anarchists, so are the capitalists today branding the Socialists. The Tories had no more love for the revolutionists than do the capitalists have for the Socialists. Liberty to these gentlemen means the right to rule over others and do as they please. If you doubt this, ask any of the patriotic dollar chasers how much of the Declaration of Independence they will stand for today. Socialists are only demanding what the Declaration of Independence guarantees.

And so it light to pass that this great republic which was destined to be the beacon of liberty for the world, slowly but surely darkened by a much worse condition of intolerance and oppression than prevailed prior to the American Revolution.

And today, throughout the United States, the American Eagle is screaming, capitalist statesmen are orating, and Tory editors editorializing about our land of liberty and home of the brave, bands playing the Star Spangled Banner, and the American flag everywhere in evidence. The same flag that waved over Latimer and Homestead, the striking miners' camp in Westmoreland, Pa., and West Virginia, where our brother workers, their wives and children were murdered. The same flag that waved in Calumet, Mich., and Ludlow, Colo. The same flag that waves over the battles where many Socialists and officials of our labor unions are incarcerated. The same flag that waves over the sweat hells and vile, disease breeding tenements of our large cities. The same flag that waves over the states where the bodies of our children are ground into profit. The same flag that waves over the steel and iron infernos, where more workers are killed in times of peace than are in times of war. The flag that waves over a country where the workers produce everything and own nothing, and the parasites who produce nothing own everything. The flag under which the honest and industrious suffer and starve, while the unscrupulous idlers revel in luxury. The flag that is used by the human vultures to hide their hypocrisy. The flag that President Wilson expects the workers of the United States to follow into Mexico, and shoot to death our brother workers in Mexico, who like ourselves, are struggling for liberty.

I AM AN American, and the American flag is our flag, born from the womb of the American Revolution, and baptized in the blood of our fathers, that we, their children, might be free men and women. And I deny anyone, or any combination of despots, the right to use it as a cloak to defeat the very purpose for which it was born.

THINGS OUGHT TO BE BETTER THAN THIS.

We read in a Washington newspaper that in that city last year 1,715 children were born, and 730 died under the age of one year. This is an appalling percentage. Keeping these children alive would be a much more useful service than manufacturing war supplies or selling whiskey. Yet the latter occupations are organized, efficient and profitable. The work of saving babies is neither organized nor efficient, nor is there money in it. This is far from a perfect world.—From Collier's Weekly.

German journals have been saying plain words about the situation in the Krupp establishments. The Frankfurter Zeitung, insisting on the serious character of the position, warned the bosses to accede to the demands of the workers. The men's claims have included increased wages to meet the growing cost of living, and a shortening of the abnormal hours of labor. Patriotic British bosses will be shocked at the revolutionary demands of the wageslaves. Late reports state that the men have won all of their demands.

THE STORY CORNER

No. 1.—How Jim Grew Interested.

When Jim got home from work, he looked, as usual, to see whether he had received any mail — and his mother noticed that he seemed really disappointed when he found that there was none.

"Nothin' doing," was all he said, but inwardly he was wondering why he had not received that eagerly awaited post-card from the country. His mother did not know that a little girl across the street was on her vacation, else she too, could have explained the boy's sudden interest in the mail. He could not help noticing that while he received nothing—there were three letters for his dad.

"Gee,—pop's getting quite popular in his old days. Look at the stack of mail that's waiting for him."

"Yes," said the mother, "ever since he was elected Secretary of the local he's got a lot of letters. More than that he's got a lot of friends."

"Wish I'd get a few," growled Jim, as he went off to wash up for supper.

His father came home soon after they all sat down to their meal, and the good-natured bantering between him and his "Sis" soon drove all dull cares away. After the meal was over the old man began to look over the three letters that constituted the "stack of mail" of which Jim was so envious. There was a letter from the state secretary, and another from the National Office, urging all locals to "Boost for 1916."

The third letter took a little more time to read, and when he had finished he sat quiet for a long time thinking. Here were his two children, rapidly growing into manhood and womanhood,—they were good-hearted kids, no doubt,—and they meant well in their way,—but so far as the cause so near to his own heart was concerned,—they were almost indifferent. The boy had recently shown a little more interest, especially since the time he had been out on strike,—but the girl—well she was only a baby, and then the high-school environment was naturally leaving its marks on her.

Taking up the letter again, he made up his mind to talk the matter over with the boy,—this might be the very thing he was looking for.

"Jim,—say there, Jim," he called, "come over here a minute,—here is something that may interest you."

That was a new one on Jim, he was not at all accustomed to having his father discussing Socialist affairs at home. Yet his father was certainly going to discuss one of those letters,—and one with a National Office heading at that.

"Here's a letter from the Young People's Department asking me to see about starting a young folk's organization here in town. The Secretary speaks about the sons and daughters of the Socialists especially, and their friends. It might be a good thing for us to do something along this line. Couldn't hurt anything,—what do you think about it, boy?"

Jim took the letter and read it. There were some parts of it that certainly looked good to him. He read the small leaflet that accompanied the letter.

"The Y. P. S. L. is an organization founded for the purpose of drawing together all young people who are interested in the betterment of the conditions of the working class. That certainly meant him, hadn't he been out on strike for that very purpose?"

"To promote the cause of Socialism among young people, to provide for its members, friends and sympathizers, the means for social improvement, physical development, and intellectual growth. So Socialism was something that concerned the young folks, too, and not merely the old fogies, eh? That was welcome news."

Continuing, he read, "Organized into a Y. P. S. L., you make possible for yourself and for others, the maintenance of dramatic and literary circles, study-classes on sociology, public-speaking, history, etc., private club-rooms, gyms, etc.,—jolly comradeship, and clean fun."

"That's bully," thought he. "On the social side you will have your dances, picnics, parties, entertainments, plays, outings, hikes, athletic meets and a thousand other things that only young folks can think of." Jim was figuring on some right then.

"You will have a place where you can always come to meet people of your own kind, where you can mix and mingle, boys and girls together, without regard to the barriers of class color or creed."

"That's the ticket," thought Jim, "—boys and girls together" certainly rang true,—and if he did think

PUT UP OR SHUT UP

By JOHN M. WORK

THE PRIVATE ownership of the exploiting industries enables the capitalists to have and to hold possession of the capital of the country and to wrest from the toilers most of the value of their labor.

Whenever we see fit to abolish the private ownership of the exploiting industries, this exploitation will cease. We will get the full value of our labor. We will guarantee ourselves an opportunity to earn a living. Involuntary poverty will be a thing of the past.

We have only ourselves to blame.

If we lived in a country where the workingman had no vote, it might be otherwise.

But in this country the average workingman has a vote the same as a capitalist. The workingmen outnumber the capitalists and their satellites many times. The workingmen can therefore bring exploitation, poverty and economic uncertainty to an end whenever they wish. They can do it by voting for the collective ownership of the exploiting industries — by voting the Socialist ticket.

If you want to secure these results, join the Socialist party and vote the Socialist ticket.

If you do not vote the Socialist ticket, quit growling because you are deprived of everything worth while.

You are getting what you voted for.

Just a little bit of the girl across the way, he also figured on the fellows in the shop, and his little "Sis" and her school-mates, as well as all the fellows and girls who had nothing but the picture show to keep them interested after the day's work was done.

Turning back to the letter he read, "In a very short time you will have a booming organization and its success will more than pay for any effort you now put forth. It may be a little hard at first,—but all pioneering work is hard—you should be proud to thus contribute your share of the world's work for progress. This is your opportunity to do something worth while,—will you make the most of it?"

"You bet I will," said Jim and he made up his mind to talk it over with his "Sis" and with the fellows in the shop,—and maybe they could get their sisters to join,—the battle was already more than half won, as far as he could see.

NOTE:—"How Jim collected his information," will be the title of next week's story.

The masters insist on playing the old game, with kings, queens, horses, castles, bishops and pawns. The one important "piece" is the king.

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MANHATTAN FAVORS NATIONAL. Y. P. S. L. National Office, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Comrade Krus:—Due to a slight misunderstanding, our delegates to the State Convention of July 4th, have voted against joining the N. Y. State Committee, but enclosed resolution adopted by the League as a whole will clear the situation.

Kindly have resolution published in American Socialist as requested when same was adopted.

JOS. VERNICK, Gen. Sec'y.
RESOLUTION ON THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIALIST LEAGUE.

WHEREAS, in the report of our delegates to the State Convention was mentioned that the N. Y. State Committee has decided to join the National Organization, and

WHEREAS, this asserts the progress made; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, members of the Manhattan League, assembled at a general meeting on Sunday, August 1st, 1915, at 410 Grand St., do hereby heartily approve of the action taken and promise our aid to the National Organization.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIALIST LEAGUE of MANHATTAN, N. Y.

JOS. VERNICK, General Secretary.

Vipsel News from Everywhere.
NEW JERSEY NOTES.

Two new Leagues have recently been given charters by the state committee,—Bayonne and South Camden. This brings the number of Leagues affiliated with the state body up to 12.

Extensive plans were made for the annual inter-circle state picnic. That of last year, held at the Socialist borough of Haledon, was a decided success. The affair was held at Davey's Pond, Bloomfield, N. J., Sunday, Aug. 8. Athletics on land and water, as well as all sorts of amusements were provided.

The picnic recently held by the Paterson Y. P. S. L. was a great success. Over \$100 was realized for the organization fund.

WEST VIRGINIA.
Efforts are being made by the local Socialists to enlist the aid of the state committee in forming a state organization of the Y. P. S. L. There are at present three leagues in the state but there is a field for many more. G. A. Griesler, of the 2nd Cong. District, is most active in

ENDING THE WAR

By CARL SNYDER
(IN COLLIER'S WEEKLY)

The ending of the war may come from what was probably the most powerful single approximate cause.

That is the strength of the Socialist movement in Germany itself.

The Socialist Party is now the strongest political division in the German Empire. In 40 years its vote has risen from an insignificant 8 per cent of the total to 35 per cent.

It elects all of the members of the Reichstag from Berlin save one; and practically all of the larger cities are represented by Socialists.

The growth of the German Socialist vote has been uninterrupted, and we have only to prolong the curve of this growth to see that in another five or six years the Socialists would have been in the majority, and the Junker control of Germany at an end. Without the capitalist and the Junker dread of a Socialist triumph, there could scarcely have been any war.

Attempts made by the French Socialists to eliminate private profit in the feeding of the people failed at a recent session of the chamber of deputies when it passed a bill carrying an appropriation of \$24,000,000 to be used in the purchase of wheat and flour for feeding the civil population. An attempt of the Socialists to inject a rider creating a government monopoly of grain was defeated by a vote of 364 to 128.

The Australian Labor government is going to nationalize the liquor

YOUR LAST CHANCE

HOW WOULD YOU like to own a book on Socialism on which MORE THAN A HUNDRED OF THE BEST SOCIALIST WRITERS, and some of the greatest authorities on political economy in the world, had collaborated?

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How would you like to own a reference book on Socialism which combines the very best there is to be found in such famous reference books as THE WORLD ALMANAC, THE CO-OPERATIVE YEAR BOOK, THE YEAR BOOK OF THE INDEPENDENT LABOR PARTY OF ENGLAND, ETC.?

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industry and the start has been made in what is known as the North-western Territory, for which a general supervisor has been appointed at a salary of \$3,500 per annum. He will be held responsible to carry out the plans of the government, which intends to grant the fullest freedom in the matter of consumption of liquor consistent with the idea to abolish the abuses of the business against which people complain.

Respectfully submitted: That capitalists, society scrubs and other no-accounts be immediately drafted into an army of defence — and set to making roads.

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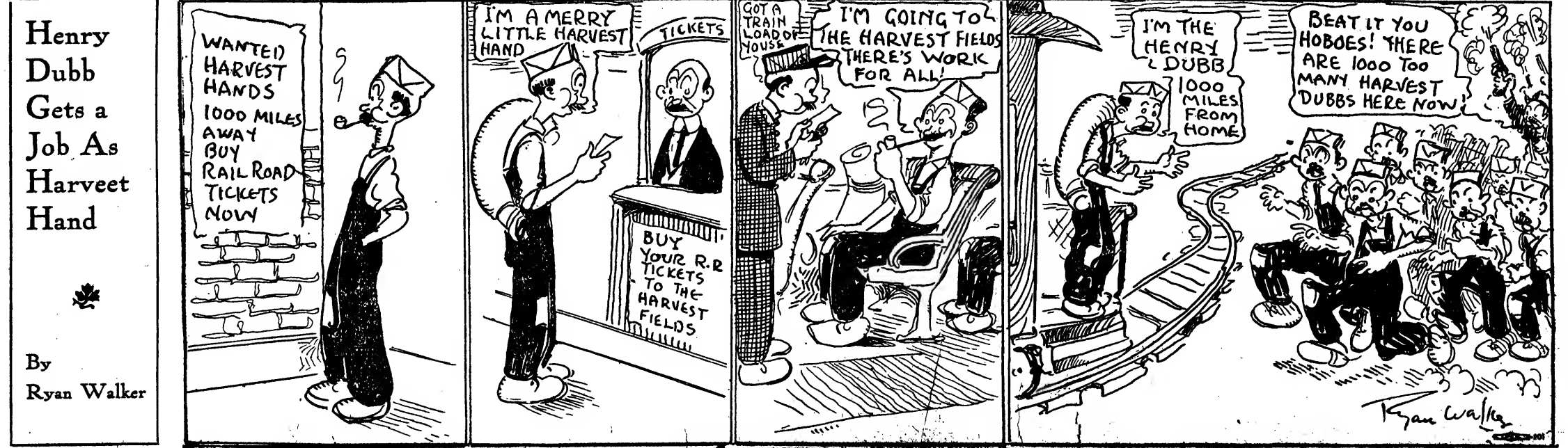
ALABAMA—Alabama City.
ARKANSAS—Miami, Phoenix, Yuma, Winslow.
ARIZONA—Paragould.
CALIFORNIA—Fort Bragg, San Francisco, Fresno, Sacramento, Turlock, Oakland, Paso Robles, Kingsburg, Los Angeles, Woodland.
COLORADO—Pueblo, Denver, Fruita, Colorado Springs.
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—Washington.
GEORGIA—Waycross.
IDAHO—Fossil, Twin Falls, Caldwell, Bull, Burley, Rupert, Nampa.
ILLINOIS—Monticello, Wanakena, Moline, Canton, Champaign, Galesburg, Danville, Rockford, Freeport, Lincoln, Chicago (2), East St. Louis, West Frankfort.
INDIANA—Indianapolis, State Line, Elwood, Marion.
IOWA—Davenport, Council Bluffs, Hite, Hux.
KANSAS—Neos City, Ufa, Pittsburg, Topeka.
MARYLAND—Baltimore.
MASSACHUSETTS—Worcester, Springfield, Boston.
MICHIGAN—Lansing, Grand Rapids, Muskegon, Traverse City, Owosso, Battle Creek, Bay City.
MINNESOTA—St. Paul, Minneapolis, Duluth, Bemidji.
MISSISSIPPI—Hattiesburg.
MISSOURI—De Soto, St. Joseph, Sedalia, St. Louis.
MONTANA—Missoula, Kalispell, Butte, Nashua, Whitefish.
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NEVADA—Tonopah, Goldfield.
NEW MEXICO—Roswell, Clayton.
NEW YORK—Jamestown, Schenectady, Rochester, New York City, Buffalo, Albany, Brooklyn.
NORTH CAROLINA—Winston-Salem.
NORTH DAKOTA—Hutton, Forbes, Crosby, Williston, Bowman, Fargo, Velva, Voltaire, Widows, Karvin, Vale.
OHIO—Sandusky, Cincinnati, Portsmouth, Ulrichville, Warren, Toledo, Newark.
OKLAHOMA—Clinton.
OREGON—Astoria, Portland, Silverton.
PENNSYLVANIA—Warren, Ambbridge, Lackawanna, New Kensington, Greensburg, Reading, Washington, Erie, Pottsville, East Springfield, Pittsburgh.
SOUTH DAKOTA—Hot Springs, Frederick, Aberdeen.
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UTAH—Salt Lake City, Ogden.
VIRGINIA—Norfolk.
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By Ryan Walker